



ARE SENDING TROOPS

Russian Government Will Protect Foreigners.

NOW LIVING AT RIGA

German Embassy Appealed to Russian Government for Protection of Subjects.

BALTIC NOBLE MURDERED

Revolutionary Bands of Peasants Roam the Country Pillaging and Burning—Priests are Instructed to Endeavor to Calm Agitation.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—The government is sending several columns of troops to the Baltic provinces of Estonia and Courland and to Riga. In response to appeals from the German embassy, demanding protection of the German subjects the government has replied that ample troops are now on the way to ensure protection to all foreigners. August von Hennings, a prominent member of the Baltic nobility and assistant chief of his district was atrociously murdered at his residence near Riga by a revolutionary band. Two dragons detailed to guard the residence were also killed.

A message from Moscow, which was received here, according to reports received here, Kantonius, the bishop of Volhynia in southwest Russia, is instructing the priests to calm the agitation in that section. Nevertheless it is said some priests are inciting the population against the Jews, Poles and students, as enemies to the country.

According to reports from Tsarskoe Selo, the re-actionary Camarilla, headed by General Count Ignatieff and M. Steschinsky, who formed to effect the downfall of Witte and to create a dictatorship have failed and his majesty is standing firmly by the premier.

The Dagens Nyheter correspondent, who returned to Stockholm today from Riga says: "The Letts, constituting a majority of the population of Livonia, control the situation there. Their hatred of the German speaking population, which is unrelenting, is caused by years of oppression on the part of the German nobility.

Peasants around Riga are burning the estates and murdering the landowners. The Germans of Riga expect St. Bartholomew any night and it is evident the Letts are preparing a wholesale slaughter.

In each block one house has been prepared as a fort, in which to shelter the Germans when the massacres start. Beside this householders are establishing various refuges. Murders are committed in broad daylight, mostly for revenge, and the police are afraid to interfere. The governor general does

not dare to command his troops, not knowing whether they will obey or not. Several country communities have established a republic, intending later to confederate with a Baltic republic.

"The revolutionaries are preparing an irresistible strike for January, and the workmen will be armed.

"Revolutionaries have refused to allow either the Germans or Russians to leave Livonia."

The correspondent says he fears the deep hatred felt by the Letts for the German nobility and German capitalists will lead to an awful calamity.

EXTRAORDINARY CHARGES

Man Hires Agents to Kill His Divorced Wife.

London, Dec. 14.—The trial commenced at Old Bailey today of Hugh Watt, a financier and former member of Parliament, on the extraordinary charges of inciting hired agents to murder his divorced wife, Julia Watt, and Sir Reginald Beauchamp, whose divorced wife is now Lady Violet Watt, wife of the defendant. The counsel for the prosecution made a lengthy statement contending that Watt is of a perfectly sound mind notwithstanding his strange conduct.

CONFERENCE CONTINUES.

Paris, Dec. 14.—The conference between John C. McCall, a son of President McCall, of the New York Life and Andrew Hamilton continues, but neither is yet willing to announce any conclusions.

BEEF TRUST CASE

Now At Bar Before Judge Humphrey in Chicago.

HARD TO SECURE JURYMEN

Only Three Men Secured to Act—Clashes Between Opposing Counsel Frequent—At Adjournment Each Side Had Exhausted Three of Their Challenges.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Three jurors, two of whom were carpenters and one a real estate dealer from the interior of the state have been accepted by both the government and the packers' lawyers in the "beef trust" case now at bar before Judge Humphrey. Considerable difficulty in securing competent men is being met with and during today's examination of venire-men, clashes between the opposing counsel were frequent. When the court adjourned tonight each side had exhausted three of their seven preemptory challenges. It developed today that Commissioner of Corporations Garfield, and his chief assistant, Dr. Durand, practically became witnesses for the defense, inasmuch as Garfield having been served with a subpoena "duces tecum," issued at the instance of the defense, produced every every book, paper, record or report he has now, or did have. By this it is declared the defense will endeavor to show that Garfield has sworn statements in his possession made by the packers during Garfield's investigation and in view of this fact, the packers gained immunity from criminal prosecution.

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SENATE DISCUSSES CANAL APPROPRIATION BILL

Washington, Dec. 14.—The Senate spent four hours today in discussing the Panama canal emergency appropriation bill and when it adjourned the bill was still under consideration. Speeches were made by Messrs. Teller, Scott and Morgan, and they were followed by a general debate in which all phases of the controversy were exploited.

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ANTHRACITE MINERS MEET TO TALK TERMS

IN SESSION AT SHAMOKIN TO DECIDE COURSE

Workmen Will Refuse to Renew the Contract Under Which the Former Strike Was Settled by President Roosevelt's Intervention.

ALTERNATIVE SEEMS TO BE EITHER A STRIKE OR LOCKOUT

Convention May Take a Stand for an Eight Hour Work Day, Uniform Pay for All Classes of Employees Not Rated as Miners—Organization Now Has a Membership of Over One Hundred and Fifty Thousand and One Million Dollars in the Treasury.

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 14.—The miners of the three anthracite districts met in convention here today to decide the question as to whether there will be a strike or lockout at the termination of the agreement between the miners and mineowners next April. The convention was called to order in the opera house by President John Mitchell. The convention will be in session several days, during which time a list of demands will be prepared for submission to the operators. The chief demands it is said will be an eight-hour day, wage payments according to weight, uniform wages for all employees, a uniform scale for rock slate, water and dead work and the recognition of the union.

For some time it has been clearly understood that the United Mine Workers would refuse to renew the agreement after the expiration of the three years, and would insist upon certain demands which the union was not strong enough three years ago to enforce. The conclusion of the agreement left the United Mine Workers in a rather weakened condition, as thousands of the members dropped out, feeling secure for at least three years.

It was John J. Mitchell who recognized the danger of this decrease in

membership. Urged by him, the officers of the three district branches made energetic efforts to arouse enthusiasm among the miners of their respective districts and to induce them to join the organization. For over a year the work was continued, and at present the organization has a membership of over 150,000 and a fund of nearly \$1,000,000.

It is considered certain that the convention will take a stand for an eight-hour workday, uniform pay for classes of employees not rated as miners, and specific terms of employment, but these will be held subject to joint discussion and will not be obtruded in advance of the request for a conference. Should the operators issue or post a notice of their intentions or willingness to continue in force the commission's award, this would be disregarded unless the notice should be addressed to the convention; the United Mine Workers or one or more of the authorized representatives of that organization. Should the operators refuse to meet or discuss with union representatives, the convention will openly declare, on behalf of the members of the organization, that they would refuse to recognize the agreement after March 31.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.

British Embassy Attache and Wife Are Hurt in Upset.

Washington, Dec. 14.—In an automobile accident in the outskirts of Washington late this afternoon, Walter Beaupre Townley, counsellor in the British embassy sustained minor injuries and his wife, the Lady Susan Townley, was knocked unconscious and badly bruised about the head and shoulders. The accident occurred on the military road Northwest of this city as the machine was speeding down an incline. At a turn in the road the brakes were applied when suddenly the machine slipped and overturned.

HEARST WILL RECOUNT.

New York, Dec. 14.—Hearst's legal campaign to recount the ballots in New York's recent mayoralty election was extended today to include the acts of many of the election inspectors. An order to show cause why these inspectors should not appear before the board of election canvassers and correct errors was signed by Supreme Court Justice Stover. The order was made returnable next Monday.

ENGINE HITS BUILDING.

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 14.—A switch engine on the Illinois Central left the tracks in the yards tonight and crashed into a four story building occupied by the Indiana Stove Company, killing the engineer and fireman.

BIG MONEY DEAL

IS CONSUMMATED

J. J. Hill, Unleased Ore Lands Estimated to Contain Three Hundred Million Tons of Ore, Sold.

Duluth, Dec. 14.—One of the biggest mining deals in the history of the Mesaba Iron Range was consummated today when a transfer of half the interest in what is known as the J. J. Hill unleased ore lands was formally made to the United States Steel Corporation. The lands have been variously estimated to contain 100,000,000 to 300,000,000 tons of ore running about half Bessemer.

CUT DOWN REPRESENTATION OF SOUTHERN STATES

Bennett of New York Introduces a Bill into Congress to That Effect.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Representative Bennett, of New York, introduced a bill today to cut down the representation of the Southern states and in Congress because of the disfranchisement of the negro vote.

Senator Carter re-introduced a resolution presented at the last session, providing an amendment to the constitution giving Congress the power to establish uniform marriage and divorce laws.

WILL CLOSE DOWN.

San Jose, Dec. 14.—It is reported that the new Almaden quick silver mines are to be closed down in the near future.

JOINT STATEHOOD BILL TO BE INTRODUCED

Members of House Will Consider Bill for Admission of Four Southern Territories.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Republican members of the House in a caucus today unanimously declared in favor of admitting Oklahoma and Indian territories as one state and by a vote of 110 to 65 declared in favor of admitting Arizona and New Mexico as one state. Both statehood questions are to be contained in one bill.

LOS ANGELES WINS.

Los Angeles, Dec. 14.—Los Angeles took today's game by a score of 4 to 1. This makes four out of five victories for the local team and one more will give them a majority of games and the pennant.

Los Angeles	4	6	0
Tacoma	1	1	3

EVIDENCE OF WRECK

Large Ship's Boat With White Oars Found.

Victoria, Dec. 14.—A dispatch from Carmanah Point at the entrance to the Straits of San Juan de Fuca says: A very large ship's boat, with long oars painted white, all badly smashed, was picked up this morning near where the bowsprit of a schooner's boat and taffrails were found some days ago with no marks.

TO ABOLISH HAZING

Department At Washington Determined To Stop It.

WILL SUSPEND ALL GUILTY

If Necessary the President Will Be Appealed to Veto Any Bill Passed by Congress for Re-instating Expelled Midshipman.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Hazing of every kind, it was announced today, would be stamped out at the Naval Academy regardless of the number of dismissals from the brigade, of the midshipmen necessary to bring about this result. Two midshipmen will be dismissed from the academy within a few days, one for hazing and the other for countenancing it by failure while on duty to report its occurrence. Other dismissals will follow as often as midshipmen are found guilty of hazing or countenancing it.

No secret is made at the navy department of the determination of the officials to make short shift of hazing and "running" and all such practices at the academy. If necessary it is understood the President will be appealed to, veto any bill passed by Congress providing for the re-instatement of a midshipman expelled for hazing or countenancing it.

CZAR WILL NOT LEAVE.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—It is officially declared that the imperial family does not intend to leave Tsarskoe Selo.

INSURANCE REGULATION CONSIDERED IN HOUSE

Washington, Dec. 14.—The debate on the recommendation in the President's annual message regarding insurance regulation occupied the House's time again today without conclusion. Pending a resolution referring the question to the ways and means committee and in its defense, Payne, the chairman, made an argument that the only way

INDICTMENTS RETURNED

Federal Grand Jury Brings Indictments.

IN THE REBATE CASES

Uncle Sam After Shippers Freight Agents and Common Carriers.

MANY PARTIES INVOLVED

All Are Prominent, Large Numbers of Witnesses Summoned to Give Testimony in Cases—Immunity from Punishment for Those Giving Evidence.

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.—Eight indictments were returned by the federal grand jury today against the shippers, freight agents, and common carriers, in the rebate cases brought to the attention.

The indictments returned are: The Great Northern Railway Company, for offering a rebate to R. D. Wood & Company of this city on a shipment of 10,500 tons of iron piling to Winnipeg.

C. L. Campbell, local freight agent of the Great Northern; L. W. Lake, of New York, general Eastern agent of the Mutual Transit Company, for granting and giving a rebate to the Wood Company.

Members of the firm of Wood & Company for accepting and receiving rebates; Paul J. Driver, local agent for the Mutual Transit Company; the Mutual Transit Company; Paul J. Driver. A large number of witnesses were summoned to give testimony in the two cases. Immunity from punishment was granted those principals who appeared before the jury and gave evidence.

WILL AID CHINA

Kaiser Will Not Allow Other Nations to Butt In.

London, Dec. 14.—According to the correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Tokio, the Chinese minister at Berlin has notified his government that Prince von Buelow, the German imperial chancellor, told him if the other powers should seize Chinese territory the emperor of Germany would immediately come to the aid of China.

WILL BREAK STRIKES.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—The Chicago employer's association today formulated plans for the establishment of a standing army of laborers, skilled and unskilled, representing every branch of trade to be prepared to go to any city in the United States to fill the places of strikers when necessary.